

▼ **Condemning The King - Part 1**

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- **Read the Passage: Matthew 26:57 – 27:10**

▼ **Understand the process by which Jesus was condemned to death.**

- ▶ Jesus was tried in stages and condemned for claiming to be the Son of Man from Daniel 7:

▼ **Contrast the outcomes experienced by Jesus, Peter, and Judas.**

- Strengthened by his time in Gethsemane, Jesus resolutely submits himself to arrest, insult, torment, trial, condemnation, and crucifixion.
- Peter, having failed to pray effectively in Gethsemane, fails and denies Jesus 3 times.
- Judas quite possibly expected his betrayal to force Jesus to seize power as King (Matthew 27:3-4). When he realized that his plan has failed, he kills himself.

▼ **Embrace God's wisdom and strength displayed in Jesus!**

- Is this a display of God's weakness or God's strength
- Is this a display of God's foolishness or wisdom?
- What do we really believe about what Jesus taught and did?
- Forgiveness is absolutely fundamental to following Jesus! What do we believe about Brandt Jean forgiving Amber Guyger for killing his brother?
- Sharing the Good News is absolutely fundamental to following Jesus! What do we believe about Judge Tammy Kemp giving Amber Guyger her Bible?
- Why do some of us have difficulty with these examples of forgiveness and love? Because we've stopped believing that God is actually doing anything about it. Many of us have been deceived into believing that the only viable solutions have nothing to do with God. We've forgotten how God's Kingdom works!
- God's wisdom is different from human wisdom! - 1Corinthians 1:17 - 2:16

▼ **Check your GPS**

- The Pot Roast.
- ▼ The Big Picture
  - God created a good world with human beings as his representatives in it.

- Humans rebel - throwing God's world into jeopardy. They are exiled from Eden.
- God calls Abraham as the beginning of his project to reclaim our broken world. Abraham's descendants Israel inherit his mission and enter a covenant relationship with God when he rescues them from Egyptian slavery.
- Israel ultimately breaks the covenant and is exiled from the promised land.
- God returns to Israel in Jesus, offering the covenant obedience that Israel failed to maintain.
- Jesus is crucified, taking Israel's sins and our own upon himself. He is raised to new life on the 3rd day.
- We who follow Jesus now join God's renewed project to reclaim our broken world. Remember Daniel 7!
- ▼ Following Jesus - 7 "F"s
  - ▼ Focus on the Message
    - Sermon on the Mount
    - Start developing godly habits.
  - ▼ Family Up
    - Be religious - NOT
    - Remember the pot roast!
  - ▼ Flow in the Spirit
    - Start turning godly habits into skills.
    - Start taking responsibility for being a Kingdom citizen.
  - ▼ Face Your Problems
    - Identify and fix the things that will keep you from being part of God's solution.
  - ▼ Farm Your Land
    - Develop the discipline and faithfulness that the solution will require.
  - ▼ Find Your Purpose
    - Discover what part of the problem you are called to address!
  - ▼ Fulfill Your Mission
    - Get in there and become part of the solution!
- **Q&A**